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1 A. To be honest with you, I like the lawyer-type
2 books.

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3 Q. Do you?

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4 A. Grisham, Grisham, and Grisham. Yeah, that's
5 what I like.

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6 Q. Those are some of my favorites too.

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7 A. I like him.

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8 Q. Those are always good.

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9 A. And Patterson.

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10 Q. Yes. You have good, good choices there. Do
11 you -- do you have any special certifications?

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12 A. No.

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13 Q. No. Some teacher certifications, education
14 certifications?

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15 A. I'm sorry, like in specific areas? Is that
16 what you mean?

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17 Q. Well, to be a teacher do you have to have
18 specific certifications?

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19 A. You have to be certified in the area that you
20 work in or teach or whatever.

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21 Q. And for you that would have been English?

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22 A. Right. Right.

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23 Q. And did you have that certification?

24 A. Yes.

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25 Q. And do you have it now?

10:01:01 1 A. It was -- when I received it, it was for life.

2 Q. Right.

10:01:06 3 A. So --

10:01:07 4 Q. Lifetime?

10:01:07 5 A. -- I take for granted that I do have it.

6 Q. Okay.

10:01:11 7 A. Yes. I assume it, but I don't know.

10:01:14 8 Q. Okay. And are you bilingual?

9 A. No.

10:01:26 10 Q. Let's see. What about sources of income that

10:01:28 11 you have right now?

10:01:29 12 A. Teacher retirement and I work at an -- at an

10:01:36 13 office. It's a healthcare center.

10:01:39 14 Q. Okay.

10:01:39 15 A. That's where I work.

10:01:45 16 Q. And what healthcare center is that?

10:01:47 17 A. Everlasting Home Healthcare.

10:01:56 18 Q. And what do you do for them?

10:01:58 19 A. Office -- office work.

10:01:59 20 Q. So what's a typical -- typical day like?

10:02:04 21 A. More -- more filing and keeping the charts up

10:02:12 22 to date and thinning charts and answering the telephone

10:02:16 23 and just office work.

10:02:18 24 Q. So this healthcare center is -- does -- is it

10:02:22 25 for home care, for --

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1 A. It's for home care.

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2 Q. For people that are maybe homebound or sick or
3 disabled?

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4 A. It's for Medicare and Medicaid clients and
5 private pay clients, people of that nature, mostly
6 senior citizens, older people.

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7 Q. And how many people work there?

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8 A. In the office, you mean? I think about six
9 office workers.

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10 Q. And how long have you been working there?

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11 A. About a year.

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12 Q. And how did you come to hear about that job?

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13 A. Actually, a friend of mine, a church member,
14 owns that business and she offered me a job there.

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15 Q. And who is this individual?

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16 A. Ruby Robinson.

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17 Q. And how much do you make per hour?

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18 A. \$12.00.

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19 Q. And how many hours do you work a week?

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20 A. It -- it varies because ever so often I will
21 get in 40 hours, but I don't always get the amount of
22 time. So between 30 and 35 hours a week.

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23 Q. So almost full time?

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24 A. Almost, yes.

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25 Q. Do you have some flexibility, meaning you can

10:03:53 1 kind of come and go as you please or do you have a time
10:03:56 2 clock that you have to punch?

10:03:58 3 A. I don't have to punch a time clock. The
10:04:01 4 agreement is because I have to take care of my sister,
10:04:03 5 then I can only get in what I can.

10:04:05 6 Q. Right.

10:04:05 7 A. So that's -- that's what it's based on.

10:04:07 8 Q. Well, tell me a little bit about what taking
10:04:10 9 care of your sister entails?

10:04:13 10 A. She's paralyzed on her left side. That kind of
10:04:18 11 sums it up.

10:04:21 12 Q. Okay. And so when you say you are obligated to
10:04:26 13 take care of her -- and I know obviously she's your
10:04:28 14 sister and you love her -- taking care of her entails,
10:04:34 15 what, actually feeding her, dressing her?

10:04:36 16 A. She can feed herself. I have to help her with
10:04:40 17 dressing. She can do a few things, but I have to bathe
10:04:43 18 her, dress her, etcetera, etcetera.

10:04:45 19 Q. Okay. And so she -- she, you said, suffered a
10:04:49 20 stroke?

21 A. Yes.

10:04:49 22 Q. Okay. And do you know if that runs in your
10:04:54 23 family?

24 A. Yes.

10:04:55 25 Q. It does? Okay. Do you have benefits at the

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1 home healthcare place of business where you work?

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2 A. Medical insurance.

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3 Q. You do have medical?

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4 A. Medical.

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5 Q. And what does that entail? Just medical? Do
6 you have vision?

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7 A. To be honest with you, I -- I don't know, but

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8 there was some options -- some choices that we could

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9 make and right now I don't recall which ones I chose.

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10 Ms. Robinson was going to pay so much and we would have

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11 to pay the rest. But it did -- I think it offered

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12 vision and dental and medical and some other things

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13 that I cannot even recall right now.

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14 Q. Pretty comprehensive, though?

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15 A. I think, but I'm not certain because I haven't

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16 reviewed it.

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17 Q. Okay. Do you use the insurance very much, the

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18 medical or the health insurance?

19 A. No.

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20 Q. Okay. So you don't -- you're not too -- sounds

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21 like you're not too concerned about it maybe because

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22 you don't -- you don't go to the doctor very much, you

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23 don't --

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24 A. Right.

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25 Q. -- you don't get sick very much?

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1 A. Right.

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2 Q. Fair to say?

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3 A. Right.

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4 Q. Okay. Kind of going back over sources of

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5 income and things like that, just to -- to make a

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6 determination. Do you have any trust funds or anything

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7 that help you?

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8 A. I don't have anything now. I had an annuity

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9 and I had to withdraw it when I first came off because

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10 of making a house payment, car payment, other bills

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11 that I tried to take care of and it was soon gone.

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12 Q. Okay. And when you -- when you say when you

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13 came off, you mean from -- from Judson, your employment

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14 at Judson?

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15 A. Exactly.

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16 Q. Okay. So this annuity lasted for a little

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17 while, but that was about it. You didn't have any

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18 other investments?

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19 A. No.

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20 Q. Or no gifts or loans?

21 A. No.

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22 Q. Do you know own any property?

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23 A. Just my house that I'm in.

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24 Q. Okay. And how long have you lived there?

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25 A. About seven years, I think.

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1 Q. And I think you've kind of answered some of

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2 these questions. You're not currently under a doctor's

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3 care for any reason?

4 A. No.

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5 Q. So you're not being treated for -- for

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6 anything?

7 A. No.

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8 Q. Not for depression?

9 A. No.

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10 Q. Or inability to sleep?

11 A. No.

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12 Q. Not for high blood pressure?

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13 A. No.

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14 Q. Okay. And you're not taking any medication for

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15 any of those things?

16 A. No.

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17 Q. Correct?

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18 A. Right. That's right.

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19 Q. Would you say that you -- you're in good

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20 condition healthwise?

21 A. Yes.

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22 Q. Physically you feel good?

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24 Q. Emotionally you feel good?

25 A. Yes.

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1 Q. Okay. Mentally you feel good?

2 A. Yes.

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3 Q. Have you ever been diagnosed as having any kind
4 of mental illness or mental disorder?

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5 A. No.

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6 Q. Has anybody in your family ever been diagnosed
7 with a mental illness or mental disorder?

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8 A. No. Just I had -- my uncle's wife many years
9 ago when I was younger, she was diagnosed with that,
10 but not immediate family.

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11 Q. Okay. So she was diagnosed with a mental
12 illness?

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13 A. Yes.

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14 Q. Okay. So you would say that you're able to
15 enjoy life for the most part to the best of your
16 ability?

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17 A. Yes.

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18 Q. To socialize when you get the chance, go out
19 with friends if you get the opportunity either at
20 church or --

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21 A. Well --

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22 Q. Or do you spend most of your time with --

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23 A. I don't have a whole lot of time for that now,
24 to be honest.

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25 Q. Well, when you get the chance, do you get to